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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION TO TO BUENOS

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RANGOON BUJUMBURA YAOUNDE OTTAWA BANGUI FOR LAMY SANTIAGO

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TOKYO NAIROBI SEOUL KUWAIT LUXEMBOURG TANANARIVE BLANTYRE

KUALA LUMPUR VALLETTA NOUAKCHOTT PORT LOUIS THE HAGUE WELLINGTON  
MANAGUA NIAMEY LAGOS OSLO ISLAMABAD LIMA WARSAW LISBON BUCHAREST  
KIGALI DAKAR FREETOWN PRETORIA MADRID COLOMBO STOCKHOLM BERN DAR  
ES SALAAM LOME PORT OF SPAIN ANKARA KAMPALA LONDON OUAGADOUGOU  
MONTEVIDEO BELGRADE KINSHASA MANAMA GABORONE CONAKRY SUVA PHNOM  
PENH MASERU BAMAKO SINGAPORE MBABANE NUKU ALOFA SANAA LUSAKA  
INFO GENEVA OECD PARIS FROM SECSTATE AUG 11, 1973 REPEATED EC  
BRUSSELS 13 AUG 73 NOW REPEATED TO YOU:

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SUBJECT: GATT TOKYO MINISTERIAL MEETING ON MULTILATERAL  
TRADE NEGOTIATIONS

1. MINISTERS OF AS MANY AS 100 COUNTRIES WILL MEET IN  
TOKYO SEPTEMBER 12-14 UNDER GATT AUSPICES TO CONSIDER AND  
APPROVE A POLICY DECLARATION ON SCOPE AND OBJECTIVES OF  
THE NEGOTIATIONS, TO FORMALLY OPEN THE NEGOTIATIONS, AND  
TO ESTABLISH A TIMETABLE AND A TRADE NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE  
(TNC) OF ALL COUNTRIES PLANNING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE  
NEGOTIATIONS. THE TNC WILL HAVE ITS FIRST MEETING NOT  
LATER THAN NOVEMBER 1. THE DRAFT MINISTERIAL DECLARATION  
HAS ALREADY BEEN PREPARED IN GENEVA IN JULY BY THE  
PREPARATORY COMMITTEE (PREPCOM) OF THE GATT.

2. SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY GEORGE SHULTZ AND AMBASSADOR  
WILLIAM D. EBERLE, SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR TRADE  
NEGOTIATIONS, WILL BE U.S. REPRESENTATIVES. UNDER SECRETARY  
CASEY, CHAIRMAN STEIN OF CEA, AMBASSADOR MALMGREN, AND  
OTHER SENIOR U.S. GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS WILL ALSO ATTEND AS  
ALTERNATES AND ADVISORS. WE WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING WHO  
WILL REPRESENT ADDRESSEE COUNTRIES AT MINISTERIAL LEVEL AND  
WHO ELSE IS LIKELY TO ATTEND MEETING. (FYI. SOME MINISTERS  
WILL BE ATTENDING AS REPRESENTATIVES OF GOVERNMENTS WHICH

ARE NOT GATT CONTRACTING PARTIES. SUCH COUNTRIES CAN  
PARTICIPATE IN THE MINISTERIAL AND IN THE NEGOTIATIONS IF  
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THEY DECLARE THEMSELVES AS PARTICIPANTS.)

3. WE WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE POSTS' COMMENTS ABOUT ISSUES  
HOST COUNTRIES ARE LIKELY TO RAISE, BOTH IN PLENARY SESSIONS  
AND INFORMALLY OUTSIDE OF MEETING.

4. FOR LDC POSTS: WE BELIEVE THERE WILL BE SEVERAL  
MEETINGS AMONG LDC REGIONAL GROUPS TO COORDINATE POSITIONS

FOR TOKYO (E.G. CECLA MEETING IN BRASILIA). WE WOULD APPRECIATE FULL REPORTING BY POSTS ON SUCH MEETINGS TO INCLUDE ISSUES DISCUSSED AND POSITIONS AND TACTICS AGREED UPON. WE NOTE THAT AT JULY PREPCOM MEETING IN GENEVA, WHERE DRAFT DECLARATION WAS PAINSTAKINGLY NEGOTIATED, CHILE, SPEAKING ON BEHALF ANDEAN PACT COUNTRIES, AND CUBA RESERVED ON ENTIRE DRAFT DECLARATION, DESCRIBING IT AS UNACCEPTABLE BECAUSE IT DID NOT MEET LDC DESIRES. ALL OTHER LDC'S, HOWEVER, WENT ALONG WITH DRAFT.

5. GIVEN HIGH DEGREEOOOOO OF CONSENSUS ON DRAFT DECLARATION EXCEPT BRACKETED POSITIONS ON MONETARY-TRADE LINK AND SPECIAL TREATMENT FOR LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES, WE ANTICIPATE PRINCIPAL FUNCTION OF TOKYO MEETING IS TO APPROVE DECLARATION AT POLITICAL LEVEL AND CEREMONIALLY OPEN NEGOTIATIONS. WE DO NOT EXPECT NEW ISSUES TO BE RAISED IN TOKYO, ESPECIALLY IN VIEW TIME LIMITATIONS (MAXIMUM 10 MINUTE SPEECH PER COUNTRY) AND EXISTING CONSENSUS, WHICH WOULD TEND TO BE DISRUPTED BY RAISING OF NEW QUESTIONS OR PROPOSALS FOR DRAFTING CHANGES. ROGERS UNQTE ROGERS

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